<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 17-35 are pending in this application. Claims 17-20, 23-25, 31, 32 and 34 are rejected and claims 21, 22, 26-30, 33 and 35 are allowed. Claims 17-20, 23-25, 31, 32 and 34 are cancelled hereby.

Responsive to the rejection of claims 17-20, 23-25, 31, 32 and 34 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,771,197 (Ivanto et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,761,602 (Leibovich), Applicant has cancelled claims 17-20, 23-25, 31, 32 and 34.

The Examiner has indicated on page 1 of the Office Action that claims 21, 22, 26-30, 33 and 35 are allowed, for which the Applicant thanks the Examiner.

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